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United States Patents

<u>U.S. Patent No.</u>	<u>Patentee</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>
519,553	Rounds	05-08-1894
2,664,792	Cook	01-05-1954
3,529,315	Dunlap et al.	09-22-1970
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6,068,272	Eskelinen	05-30-2000
6,202,252	Harrisson	03-20-2001
6,361,656	Rata	03-26-2002
6,447,646	Hassinen et al.	09-10-2002
6,651,303	Toivanen et al.	11-25-2003
6,682,012	Parviainen et al.	01-27-2004

<u>U.S. Pub. No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Pub. Date</u>
US 2001/0052401 A1	Kirjava et al.	12-20-2001

Foreign Patent Documents

<u>Country</u>	<u>Foreign Patent No.</u>	<u>Patentee</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>
WO	00/15904	Kirjava et al.	03-23-2000
WO	02/099189	Eskelinen	12-12-2002


Other Documents

“ValEco Valmet doctor blade” product flyer, Metso Paper, Inc.

Copies of the non U.S. documents are submitted herewith along with Form PTO/SB/08A and Form PTO/SB/08B.

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